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1. CONFIDENTIAL ENTIRE TEXT

2. WE STAND BY EARLIER REPORTING TO THE EFFECT THAT  
ALTHOUGH ZAIRIAN TROOPS HAVE BEEN MOVED TO GOMA, WE  
HAVE NO CREDIBLE EVIDENCE THEY HAVE GONE FURTHER INTO  
RWANDA.

3. THERE IS A GREAT DEAL OF RUMOR, SPECULATION, AND  
CONFLICTING INFORMATION EXTANT IN KINSHASA. FOR  
EXAMPLE, BELGIAN AMBASSADOR COENE TOLD CHARGE APRIL

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20 THAT ACCORDING TO HIS INFORMATION BETWEEN 700 AND 1000 DSP TROOPS WITH WEAPONS, BUT NO VEHICLES, REMAIN IN GOMA WHERE THEY HAD BEEN POSITIONED SHORTLY AFTER THE PRESIDENTS' DEATH BY PLANE CRASH. (OTHER REPORTING SUGGESTS THE NUMBER OF DSP TROOPS IS SUBSTANTIALLY LOWER.) FRENCH DCM REPORTS SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME INFORMATION FROM THEIR HONORARY CONSUL IN GOMA.

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4. WE DO NOT BELIEVE THE ZAIRIAN ARMED FORCES HAS THE POTENTIAL TO BE A SIGNIFICANT FACTOR IN THE RWANDA EQUATION. THE MOVEMENT OF THE TROOPS TO GOMA, FOR EXAMPLE, WAS BY AIRCRAFT OWNED BY PRIVATE COMPANIES, SINCE THE ZAIRIANS HAVE NO AIRLIFT CAPABILITY. AID AFFAIRS OFFICER IS TRAVELING TO THE REGION APRIL 20 IN CONNECTION WITH REFUGEE RELIEF QUESTIONS AND WILL TRY TO GET A FIRST HAND READING ON THE SITUATION VIEWED FROM GOMA.

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